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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MAJOR AND SUPERINTENDENT OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 1, 1926.

To the COMMISSIONERS:

Pursuant to instructions, I submit herewith a report of the operations of the Metropolitan police department for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1926.

The Metropolitan police district is coextensive with the District of Columbia and at present is divided into 13 police precincts with definite land area and 1 harbor precinct, the area of the Metropolitan police district being 63.8732 square miles, exclusive of the area of the Potomac River south of Washington Channel and Potomac Park.

The authorized uniformed force as of June 30, 1926, comprised a total of 1,344 members, inclusive of 63 special street railway crossing officers whose salaries are by law paid by the several street railway companies. The authorized force as of June 30, 1926, is classified as follows:

Major and superintendent																	1
Assistant superintendents																	2
Inspectors																	4
Captains																	12
Lieutenants																	21
Sergeants																	56
Privates																	<u>1, 185</u>
Total																	<u>1, 281</u>
Special street railway crossing officers																	<u>63</u>
Grand total																	<u>1, 344</u>

The following table shows the disposition of the authorized uniformed force, exclusive of the street railway crossing officers, for the 24 hours ended at 8 o'clock a. m., July 1, 1926:

	Major and superintendent		Assistant superintendents		Inspectors		Captains		Lieutenants		Sergeants		Detective sergeants		Privates		Total force		Sick		Leave		Absent without leave		Suspended		Days off		Detailed		Total absent		Special duty		Reserve duty		Drivers		Patrol duty		Total force																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
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As of June 30, 1926, there were 221 special duty assignments and 40 special detail assignments, classified as follows:

	<i>Special duty</i>	
Clerks, traffic bureau	9	
Clerks, detective bureau	8	
Coal dump, First and M Streets NE	1	
Highway Bridge over the Potomac River, 8 hours	3	
Municipal Building, outside, not less than 8½ hours daily	1	
Patrol wagons and signal service, all stations	39	
Patrol drivers, all stations and bureaus	33	
Pawn inspectors	2	
Photographers, detective bureau	3	
Police headquarters, printing bulletins	1	
Station clerks, all stations	44	
Traffic bureau, examiners of applicants for auto permits	6	
Traffic posts, permanent, 8 hours each	27	
Union Station, 8 hours each	6	
Railroad substation, Seventh Street and Virginia Avenue SW	1	
Enforcing prohibition law	18	
Hack inspectors	4	
Precinct detectives	14	
Traffic repair shop	1	
Total	221	

	<i>Details</i>	
Court van, as guard	1	
Disbursing office, as guard	1	
Headquarters, as clerks	11	
House of detention, as guards	5	
Night inspection service	3	
Police court	5	
Repair shop, police department vehicles	8	
Tax office, as guard	1	
United States district attorney's office	3	
Police school, as instructor	1	
Investigating insanity cases	1	
Total	40	

The following table shows in detail the changes in the force during the fiscal year covered by this report.

	<i>Changes in the force</i>	
June 30, 1925:		
Available force	1, 152	
Vacancy as of June 30, 1925	1	
June 30, 1926:		
Full complement	1, 153	
Resigned	43	
Removed	34	
Died	9	
Pensioned	30	
Promotions caused by deaths	4	
Vacancy	1	
Vacancies created by Congress July 1, 1925	128	
Total	249	
Appointments	245	
Authorized complement June 30, 1926	1, 281	
Total available force as of June 30, 1926	1, 281	

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Street-crossing force

June 30, 1925:

Available force	62	62
Vacancy as of June 30, 1925	1	1
Full complement		63
June 30, 1926:		
Resigned	12	12
Removed	4	4
Died	2	2
Vacancy	1	1
Total		19
Appointments		19
Authorized complement June 30, 1926		63
Total available force as of June 30, 1926		63

DISCIPLINE

In its efforts to maintain strict discipline and to bring about compliance with essential rules and regulations adopted by the commissioners for the control of the force, the department has in many cases found itself compelled to take drastic action, as will be evidenced by the following figures as to action taken in various cases:

Dropped either during or at the expiration of the probationary year for unsatisfactory service	22
Charges dismissed	46
Fined	62
Removed	12
Reprimanded and warned	3
Required to pay debt	6
Warned	14
Findings of the trial board reversed	1

Total	166
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NECROLOGY

Eleven members of the force while in active service answered the call of the Master during the year ended June 30, 1926, their names appearing below:

Name	Rank	Date of death
Sullivan, Daniel	Major and superintendent	Oct. 1, 1925
Grant, Clifford L.	Assistant superintendent	Dec. 16, 1925
Giles, James L.	Lieutenant	Aug. 28, 1925
Murphy, Samuel	Sergeant	Dec. 27, 1925
Vermillion, Howard M.	Detective sergeant	Jan. 11, 1926
Koontz, Claude C.	Private	Nov. 30, 1925
Mattingly, William M.	do	Dec. 17, 1925
Hubbs, Irene L.	do	Mar. 24, 1926
Skinner, Earl A.	do	June 9, 1926
Tompkins, Clyde J.	Private (street crossing)	July 4, 1925
Allaband, William R.	do	Feb. 13, 1926

In the death of Daniel Sullivan, major and superintendent Metropolitan police, the department and the District of Columbia suffered a grievous loss.

Daniel Sullivan was appointed a member of the Metropolitan police April 9, 1889, after an honorable term of service in the United States Marine Corps. On August 13, 1898, he was promoted to the

grade of sergeant, on October 1, 1905, to the grade of lieutenant, and on July 1, 1906, was given the rank of captain and assigned to the command of the second precinct. On May 1, 1909, he was transferred from the second precinct to command of the third precinct, in which precinct is located the White House, many of the foreign embassies and many fine residences of political and social leaders of the Nation, and in this command he distinguished himself in a singular manner and won the commendation of all with whom he came in contact.

On August 10, 1919, he was promoted to the grade of inspector, and on June 9, 1920, was raised to the rank of assistant superintendent. On February 11, 1922, he was promoted to the grade of major and superintendent, succeeding Maj. Harry L. Gessford, retired.

In this dignified and important assignment he rendered distinguished service and under his able guidance the police force of the District of Columbia held the undisputed confidence of all the citizens.

Major Sullivan was taken ill in the spring of 1925 and never returned to active duty. On October 1, 1925, he was called to his reward after a period of service of 36 years, in the course of which by his unusual qualities of mind and heart he endeared himself to all. His life and character are worthy of emulation by all public officials. He was a capable executive, a patriotic citizen, a faithful and devoted husband and father, a fine, high type of Christian gentleman:

"His life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him,
That nature might stand up and say to all the world:
'Here was a man.'"

CLIFFORD L. GRANT

The department also sustained a serious loss in the death of Inspector Clifford L. Grant, who was appointed a member of the Metropolitan police force, November 10, 1888, after a period of honorable service in the United States Army. September 24, 1905, he was promoted to the grade of detective sergeant and was later assigned to duty in the office of the United States attorney for the District of Columbia. On September 4, 1915, he was promoted to the grade of inspector, Metropolitan police, and assigned to the command of the detective bureau, in which assignment he distinguished himself in a singular manner, being especially well equipped for this important branch of police service. On December 16, 1925, he collapsed at his desk at police headquarters. He was hurried to the Emergency Hospital, where, despite heroic efforts on the part of the hospital staff and police surgeons, he passed to the great beyond. He was an able, energetic, capable, and fearless official.

LIEUT. JAMES M. GILES

James M. Giles was appointed to the Metropolitan police force, January 14, 1895, was promoted to the grade of sergeant July 3, 1906, and to the grade of lieutenant December 1, 1913, having previously been assigned to command of the Tenleytown substation, a branch of the seventh precinct, which command he held at the time of his death, August 28, 1925. He was a capable and efficient police official and during his long period of service earned the high regard of his

associates and superiors as well as of the citizens of the District of Columbia.

Two members of the department met violent deaths while actively engaged in the performance of the hazardous duties of their chosen calling, namely Pvts. Clyde C. Koontz and Earl A. Skinner, both motor-cycle officers.

Private Koontz, while pursuing a speeding automobile November 28, 1925, collided with another automobile and sustained a fracture of the skull, from which he died at Casualty Hospital on November 30, 1925.

Pvt. Earl A. Skinner, while responding to a burglar alarm June 7, 1926, was thrown from his motor cycle and sustained injuries from which he died June 9, 1926.

Both of these officers met death fearlessly in the performance of duty.

POLICE RELIEF ASSOCIATION

The following is a statement of the operations of the Police Relief Association, male and female branches, for the period covered by this report.

MALE BRANCH

Name	Beneficiary	Date of death	Number of assessment	Amount
C. J. Tompkins.....	Lena A. Tompkins.....	July 4, 1925	567	\$1,500.00
J. L. Giles.....	Nellie B. Giles.....	Aug. 28, 1925	568	1,500.00
D. W. Byer.....	Mable B. Smith.....	Sept. 7, 1925	569	1,500.00
Daniel Sullivan.....	Margaret E. Sullivan.....	Oct. 1, 1925	570	1,500.00
E. C. Blake.....	Eva E. Blake.....	Oct. 20, 1925	571	1,500.00
G. R. Patterson.....	Persie Patterson.....	Oct. 14, 1925	572	1,500.00
E. L. Johnson.....	L. Bernice Johnson.....	Nov. 29, 1925	573	1,500.00
C. C. Koontz.....	Grace V. Koontz.....	Nov. 30, 1925	574	1,500.00
R. B. Boyle.....	W. E. Boyle.....	do.....	575	1,500.00
J. E. Peterson.....	Karen E. Peterson.....	Dec. 7, 1925	576	1,500.00
C. L. Grant.....	Ella Grant.....	Dec. 16, 1925	577	1,500.00
W. M. Mattingly.....	Lizzie G. Mattingly.....	Dec. 17, 1925	578	1,500.00
D. W. Combs.....	Edward J. Mudd, administrator.....	Dec. 22, 1925	579	1,500.00
Samuel Murphy.....	Mary A. Murphy.....	Dec. 27, 1925	580	1,500.00
H. M. Vermillion.....	Lillian C. Vermillion.....	Jan. 11, 1926	581	1,500.00
W. R. Allaband.....	Florence B. Allaband.....	Feb. 13, 1926	582	1,500.00
J. R. Lintler.....	Alida A. Lintler.....	Feb. 11, 1926	583	1,500.00
W. J. Walsh.....	M. M. Walsh.....	Feb. 21, 1926	584	1,500.00
J. H. Gibson.....	H. M. Welch, executor.....	Mar. 6, 1926	585	1,500.00
T. H. Walsh.....	J. J. Walsh.....	Mar. 28, 1926	586	1,500.00
E. A. Skinner.....	Mamie V. Skinner.....	June 9, 1926	587	1,500.00

FEMALE BRANCH

Annie Stewart.....	Elenor and Elsie Stewart.....	June 22, 1925	240	\$394.50
Margaret C. Knoble.....	F. J. Knoble.....	July 30, 1925	241	399.50
Elizabeth P. Ashton.....	R. J. Ashton.....	Nov. 1, 1925	242	405.00
Anna B. Ramstad.....	Carl Ramstad.....	Nov. 24, 1925	243	403.50
Emma J. Moores.....	E. S. Moores.....	Dec. 14, 1925	244	403.50
Sarah B. Starke.....	P. H. Starke.....	Dec. 26, 1925	245	403.50
Irene E. Hughes.....	P. L. Hughes.....	Jan. 20, 1926	246	402.50
Olga M. Rogers.....	W. J. Rogers.....	Feb. 14, 1926	247	405.50

ACTIVITIES OF THE FORCE

The arrests for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1926, totaled 93,208 as against 76,021 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1925, an increase of 17,187. Of this number, 54,783 were white and 38,425 colored; 83,889 were males and 9,319 females. Of the total number arrested 91,584 were able to read and write; 1,624 were unable to do so; 2,751 of the total number arrested were under the age of 17 years;

8,940 were over 17 and under 21 years of age and 81,517 were over 21 years of age.

Arrests for misdemeanors totaled 89,220 as compared with 72,595 for the previous year, a net increase of 16,625. Arrests for felonies totaled 3,988 as compared with 3,426 for the preceding year, a net increase of 562.

Increase in the number of arrests both for felonies and misdemeanors indicate in my judgment increased activity of the force rather than an increase of the disorderly or criminal element. Indeed, a very large percentage of the increase in arrests for misdemeanors is due to the energetic enforcement of the traffic regulations by all members of the force.

As in past years, the department has established an enviable record in the arrest of persons guilty of committing the more serious crimes and particularly the crime of murder, the most serious of all felonies, and again in an effort to strongly emphasize the crying need of adequate legislation dealing with the subject of carrying weapons, I desire to submit as a part of this report complete and comprehensive statistics of absorbing interest with relation to the crimes of murder, manslaughter, assault with a dangerous weapon, assault to kill, and carrying concealed weapons, with comparative figures for the years 1924 and 1925:

	1924	1925	1926		1924	1925	1926
MURDERS							
Committed.....	29	31	42	Committed.....	32	14	21
Arrests made.....	28	38	40	Arrests made.....	31	17	29
Arrests made for murder committed in 1924.....	0	1	0	Victims:			
Cases in which no arrests have been made.....	2	1	2	Male.....	23	18	13
Murderers committed suicide.....	3	2	0	Female.....	9	6	
Victims:				White.....	20	10	17
White.....	5	8	7	Colored.....	12	4	4
Colored.....	24	23	35	Committed by—			
Male.....	18	25	32	Male.....	30	17	29
Female.....	11	6	10	Female.....	1	0	0
Committed by—				White.....	15	13	18
White.....	5	9	6	Colored.....	16	4	11
Colored.....	27	32	36	Means used:			
Male.....	26	35	38	Brick.....	1	1	0
Female.....	6	6	6	Elevator.....	1	1	0
Means used:				Knife.....	1	0	0
Arsenic.....	1	0	0	Gas.....	0	0	1
Automobile.....	0	1	0	Lamp.....	2	0	1
Ax.....	1	0	0	Motor vehicles.....	25	11	15
Blunt instrument.....	0	2	1	Revolver.....	1	0	1
Brick.....	0	1	1	Death caused by being forcibly held in chair.....	1	0	0
Cue stick.....	1	0	0	Struck with fist.....	1	0	1
Cloth, strangled with.....	0	1	0	Thrown from house.....	0	0	1
Gas.....	1	2	0				
Knife.....	5	4	15	ASSAULTS WITH DANGEROUS WEAPONS			
Lamp.....	0	0	1	Arrests.....	367	233	372
Pipe, iron.....	1	0	1	Weapons used:			
Poker, stove.....	1	0	0	Auto crank.....	0	1	0
Razor.....	1	1	0	Auto spring.....	0	1	0
Revolver.....	16	18	17	Automobile.....	1	0	0
Shears.....	1	0	0	Ax.....	9	4	4
Shovel.....	0	0	1	Bar, iron.....	2	0	2
Shotgun.....	0	0	1	Bat.....	0	0	1
Strangled.....	0	0	1	Black Jack.....	2	1	5
Stick.....	0	0	1	Bottles.....	7	4	4
Struck with fist.....	0	0	1	Blunt Instrument.....	0	1	0
Thrown from steps.....	0	0	1	Brick.....	20	4	11
Wrench.....	0	1	0	Cane, loaded.....	0	0	1

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	1924	1925	1926		1924	1925	1926
ASSAULTS WITH DANGEROUS WEAPONS—continued							
Weapons used—Continued.							
Chair.....	1	0	1	Weapons used—Continued.			
Cleaver.....	0	1	0	Stove burner.....	0	0	1
Chain.....	0	1	0	Wrench.....	0	2	3
Crank handle.....	0	0	1	Weight, iron.....	1	0	0
Dishes.....	13	0	3				
Eraser, steel.....	3	0	0	ASSAULT TO KILL			
Flatiron.....	4	0	2	Arrests.....	16	17	1
Gun, shot.....	2	0	8	Weapons used:			
Hammer.....	4	2	5	Revolver.....	15	14	1
Hatchet.....	2	0	1	Bottle.....	0	1	0
Ice pick.....	2	1	1	Oil, set on fire.....	0	1	0
Jug.....	1	0	0	Shotgun.....	0	1	0
Knives.....	127	97	146	Stick.....	1	0	0
Knuckles.....	0	0	3				
Lamps.....	2	1	4	CONCEALED WEAPONS			
Lever.....	1	0	0	Arrests.....	325	341	421
Lye.....	0	1	1	Kind of weapon:			
Pick handle.....	1	0	0	Blackjacks.....	13	10	10
Pick.....	0	0	2	Ice pick.....	0	1	3
Pipe, iron.....	2	4	5	Knives.....	42	35	93
Razors.....	22	30	25	Knuckles.....	6	2	7
Revolvers.....	129	124	119	Pipe, iron.....	1	0	1
Rocks.....	3	1	0	Razors.....	44	52	67
Rifle.....	0	0	3	Revolvers.....	220	241	238
Shears.....	2	0	2	Rifle.....	0	0	1
Stick.....	4	1	8	Shears.....	0	0	1

In one case of murder, two persons were implicated. One has been arrested; the other one is known, but has not been arrested.

In another case of murder, a father killed his two sons but was exonerated, the verdict of the coroner's jury being that he acted in self-defense.

LIQUOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

In each precinct an officer is assigned to the specific duty of enforcing the provisions of the Volstead Act and all other acts relating to the sale and use of liquor in the District of Columbia, in addition to which a special squad under the command of a captain working from a central point devotes its energies to the general enforcement of said laws. By an arrangement with the prohibition authorities, men so assigned are given special commissions as revenue officers, an arrangement which has proven of immense value to the department in its active efforts to stamp out violations of the law referred to.

The assignment of certain members of the force to the special duty of enforcing these laws does not in any manner relieve other members of the force from a like responsibility, and the activities of the force along the lines indicated are best evidenced by the following figures, which show clearly the measure of unceasing and productive activity of the department in this essential branch of law enforcement:

	1924	1925	1926
VOLSTEAD LAW			
Selling liquor.....	1,406	1,473	1,071
Illegal possession of liquor.....	1,829	3,024	2,970
Transporting liquor.....	906	1,199	1,166
Manufacturing liquor.....	26	55	112
Illegal possession of still.....	3	3	20
Destroying evidence in liquor cases.....	28	12	4
Maintaining a nuisance.....	20	31	12
Conspiracy to defeat the Volstead law.....	47	46	20
Second offenses, bench warrants.....	5	2	0
Other sections.....	7	38	12
Total arrests, Volstead law.....	4,277	5,883	5,387

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		1924	1925	1926
SHEPPARD LAW				
Intoxication.....		9,149	10,571	12,907
Operating a vehicle while intoxicated.....		616	692	749
Drinking in public.....		184	196	161
Total arrests, Sheppard law.....		9,949	11,459	13,817
SEIZURES UNDER VOLSTEAD LAW				
Alcohol.....	gallons	1,571	2,478	1,058
Brandy.....	do	22	75	392
Benedictine.....	do	0	4	5
Champagne.....	do	7	6	13
Cognac.....	do	55	73	25
Cordials.....	do	75	0	0
Gin.....	do	1,083	573	271
Home-brew.....	do	13	0	0
Rum.....	do	11	27	8
Whisky.....	do	7,885	13,685	20,966
Cider.....	do	1,596	4,088	728
Wine.....	do	2,086	887	2,158
Total gallons seized.....		14,354	21,892	25,624
Beer.....	barrels	0	20	27
Beer.....	gallons	0	0	1,196
Beer.....	bottles	4,162	4,486	5,130
Extracts.....	do	548	745	414
Mash.....	gallons	2,520	7,347	51,200
Stills.....	do	26	54	114
VEHICLE SEIZURES UNDER VOLSTEAD LAW				
Motor vehicles.....		145	301	413
Bicycles.....		3	1	6
Wagons.....		2	3	8
Total vehicles seized.....		150	305	427

VICE REPRESSION

I am glad to be able to report that the department continues to display its usual energy in dealing with the ever-active problem of the suppression of vice and the enforcement of the gambling laws, in connection with which the following table of arrests, with comparative figures for the fiscal years 1925 and 1926, will be of interest:

Arrests for—	1925	1926	Arrests for—	1925	1926
Adultery.....	228	176	Making handbooks.....	45	35
Fornication.....	949	785	Permitting gambling.....	311	434
Keeping bawdyhouse.....	9	5	Setting up a gaming table.....	15	5
Keeping disorderly house.....	205	229	Violation of lottery and policy law.....	7	4
Pandering.....	10	10	Violation of Harrison antinarcotic law.....	89	47
Soliciting prostitution.....	107	265	Total.....	2,295	2,570
Vagrancy.....	297	574			
Violation of white slave traffic law.....	23	10			

DETECTIVE BUREAU

The following is a summary of statement of the activities of the detective bureau for the period covered by this report:

Total number of arrests.....	2,834
Total number of convictions.....	1,685
Total number of cases dismissed.....	630
Total number of cases not-proussed.....	254
Value of property reported stolen, including 2,478 automobiles.....	\$1,216,052.32
Value of property reported lost.....	\$74,883.95
Value of property recovered.....	\$350,412.01

Bureau of criminal identification

Prisoners photographed, measured, and fingerprinted-----	1, 587
Scenes of crime photographed-----	17
Scenes of accidents photographed-----	3
Unknown dead photographed-----	2
Photographs of criminals copied-----	26
Photographs of missing persons copied-----	7
Fraudulent checks, signatures, etc., photographed-----	10
Miscellaneous subjects photographed-----	162
Scenes of crime inspected for fingerprint evidence-----	338
Number of scenes at which fingerprints were found-----	108
Total photographs made:	
Small size-----	5, 350
Large size-----	211
Photographs from other jurisdictions added to bureau-----	1, 369
Fingerprint records added to bureau-----	3, 383
Identifications made-----	485
Photographs and fingerprints forwarded to other jurisdictions-----	559
Identifications made of our subjects by other bureaus:	
United States Bureau of Criminal Identification-----	25
Other bureaus-----	100

AUTOMOBILE THEFT DEPARTMENT

The automobile thief is the natural development of the increased use of the automobile, and in this department the entire time of four detective sergeants is taken in investigating thefts of this character and in the recovery of stolen automobiles and the arrest of the thieves. That the department has met with unusual success in this branch of criminal-investigation work is evidenced by the following figures which indicate the activities of the department for the period covered by this report:

Automobiles reported stolen-----	2, 478
Automobiles recovered-----	2, 247
Automobiles still out-----	231
Automobiles recovered by auto squad-----	448
Number of arrests-----	318
Number of convictions-----	196
Number nol-prossed-----	33
Number dismissed-----	45
Number pending-----	45
Value of property recovered-----	\$211, 761. 32

Pharmacy inspection bureau

	1925	1926
Official visits made:		
Drug stores-----	2, 085	2, 628
Dental offices-----	500	418
Physicians-----	435	646
Midwives-----	4	9
Veterinarians-----	5	10
Stores selling poisons-----	8	38
Attendance at court-----	188	214
Total-----	<u>3, 225</u>	<u>3, 963</u>
Investigations made:		
Suicides by poison-----	9	5
Attempted suicides by poison-----	91	119
Accidental poison, recovered-----	36	53
Accidental poison, fatal-----	19	4
Miscellaneous-----	702	778
Total-----	<u>857</u>	<u>959</u>

SANITARY BUREAU

A member of the Metropolitan police force is assigned to this bureau, is charged with the duty of investigating cases of alleged insane persons and preparation of the necessary papers for the detention of such persons.

During the year ended June 30, 1926, 457 patients were admitted to St. Elizabeths Hospital, out of whom three were readmission cases. Three hundred and sixteen persons were taken into custody by the police and held for mental observation.

TRAFFIC BUREAU

The traffic bureau reported during the fiscal year a total of 43,873 arrests for violations of the various traffic laws and regulations, an increase of 10,764 traffic arrests as compared with the previous fiscal year.

HACK INSPECTION SERVICE

During the year 1,575 licenses for public passenger vehicles were issued, 3,005 applications for licenses to drive public vehicles were approved, 24,260 inspections of public vehicles were made, 900 public hack or wagon stands were inspected, and 50 complaints concerning conduct of public vehicle drivers were investigated.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

The school of instruction was in operation from January 4, 1926, to the close of the fiscal year, during which period 136 members of the force were each given a period of intensive instruction covering 30 days in subjects such as the code of law, police regulations, city geography, first aid to the injured, making of investigations and reports, evidence and court procedure, miscellaneous acts of Congress, definition and classification of crime, origin of law, powers of government. The police school continues to demonstrate its value to the department.

BOARD OF SURGEONS

The board of police and fire surgeons report a total of 1,956 officers granted sick leave during the fiscal year, 4,847 visits by Metropolitan police officers to the police clinic, and 897 house visits by members of the board of surgeons. In addition thereto, the board of police and fire surgeons have treated 289 park police officers and 49 members of the White House police force.

WOMAN'S BUREAU—HOUSE OF DETENTION

During the last fiscal year the woman's bureau of the police service dealt with 1,425 cases; 1,012 complaints were made directly to the woman's bureau; 742 arrests—566 females, 186 males. Among these were 222 without employment or visible means of support; 58 trades and professions were represented; 108 housewives; 94 schoolboys and 86 schoolgirls; 19 teachers; 1 solicitor. All persons taken into custody were able to read and write. Twelve nationalities were

represented—Canada, Cuba, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Spain, and Sweden. Practically every one of the 3,897 persons admitted to the house of detention were interviewed by members of the woman's bureau who were instrumental in effecting many of the adjustments. A large number of children and young persons on the streets, in dance halls, motion-picture theaters, stores, etc., were warned and taken or sent to homes or schools and parents or teachers communicated with; 1143 missing persons were reported, 472 of whom were returned to their homes; 227 located by the members of the woman's bureau; 207 located by precincts; and 237 still carried as missing. Many of these have no doubt returned home or been located, but the information has not been communicated to this department. In every instance of a young person reported missing, members of the woman's bureau visited the home, and in 179 cases it was necessary for this bureau to effect an adjustment.

The house of detention is continuing to serve a much-needed want in the District of Columbia in the detaining of females and juveniles coming into the custody of the police.

In the year just ended, the total entrants numbered 3,897, classified as follows:

White boys-----	607
Colored boys-----	929
White girls-----	217
Colored girls-----	307
White females over 17 years of age and under 21-----	150
Colored females over 17 years of age and under 21-----	277
White females over 21 years of age-----	525
Colored females over 21 years of age-----	885

Total number of females cared for----- 2,361

The average daily population at this institution for the year was 39 plus.

The total number of days in which persons were detained was 13,677; 44,061 meals were served at a total cost of \$7,305.41, the average cost per meal being 17.3 cents. This figure as to cost takes into consideration gas, ice, food supplies, and the salary of a cook.

The average period of detention was 3.7 days.

The house was improved during the year by the installation of an oil-burning heater, which will materially reduce labor incident to keeping the institution warm. Considerable painting was accomplished and some of the lawns were replanted.

I feel, with the facilities at hand, that this institution is a credit to the District of Columbia, and that worth-while work is being done.

TRAFFIC

The traffic problem continues to present many difficulties, notwithstanding which fact I am of the opinion that there has been a decided improvement in traffic conditions generally. The installation of the automatic light control on Sixteenth Street and on Massachusetts Avenue has proven most beneficial to motorists, to pedestrians, and to the police, and to my mind represents a great forward step toward the solution of many of our traffic problems and the administration finds itself looking forward to the time when

this system of traffic control will be extended through the entire congested section of the city and to all main arteries of traffic.

There has also been marked improvement in the methods of examination of applicants for permits to operate motor vehicles and I am glad to note that it is becoming increasingly difficult for the incompetent and inexperienced person to procure such a permit. I am of the opinion that when the record system at present being installed is completed and perfected it will be next to impossible for any person whose permit has been revoked for cause to have said permit renewed without conclusive demonstration to the satisfaction of the director of traffic to the effect that reissuance of such permit will not be in any manner a menace to safety of life and property.

There were 86 traffic deaths during the period covered by this report, which figure also represents the total of such deaths during the previous fiscal year. There were 134 persons seriously injured as against 47 persons so injured during the preceding fiscal year; 3,121 persons sustained injuries of either serious or minor character as against 3,120 during the preceding year; accidents resulting in property damage only totaled 4,928 as against 6,242 during the preceding fiscal year, a marked decrease. The grand total of traffic accidents and casualties was 8,049 as against a total of 9,378 for the preceding year.

Amendments to the traffic act recently adopted will, I am convinced, result in further improvement, as the director of traffic is, under such amendments, given greater and more definite authority regarding revocation and suspension of permits and his control of traffic matters generally is more clearly defined.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. *Police headquarters and central station.*—I can not too strongly impress upon the commissioners the urgent necessity for the erection of a modern building to be used as police headquarters and central station. The Metropolitan police department has in the past few years witnessed a remarkable development both in personnel and in the number and complexity of the problems which it is called upon to meet and it is becoming increasingly difficult to transact the great volume of public business with which the department is charged with that degree of efficiency so essential to this important branch of the public service and it is, therefore, urged that a special bill be prepared and introduced making appropriation for the purchase of ground and the erection of such a building.

2. *Garage and repair shop.*—It is again recommended that there be erected a modern and up to date garage and repair shop to care for the constantly increasing fleet of motor vehicles of various descriptions used by the department in the prosecution of its work.

3. *Street railway crossing policemen.*—The major and superintendent of police in his report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1925, presented an outline of various acts of Congress providing for the establishment and maintenance of a force of street railway crossing policemen and recommended that steps be taken to effect transfer of the 63 men now so employed to the permanent rolls of the Metropolitan police force and that appropriation be made for the payment

of salaries of such men from public funds rather than from funds of the various railway companies as is now the case.

The time is fast approaching when the installation of the electric light traffic control system will enable the department to dispense in a very large measure with the continuous service of police officers at many of the crossings. It is therefore again urged that steps be taken to transfer these men to the rolls of the Metropolitan police force.

4. *Fugitive law.*—The enactment of a fugitive law is recommended.

5. *Weapon law.*—Recommendation again is made for the passage of an adequate weapon law.

6. *Drug addiction and medical practice regulations.*—It is again recommended that legislation be enacted making drug addiction in the District of Columbia a felony and that the medical practice act be amended so as to provide for adequate regulation of persons practicing as chiropractors and osteopaths and of all persons who attempt to treat disease, injury, or deformity.

REGULATION OF DANCE HALLS

I am constrained to renew recommendation made by my predecessor to the effect that legislation be enacted defining dance halls and conferring on the Commissioners of the District of Columbia wide authority in regulating such places. This could be best accomplished by repealing section 7 of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, known as the general license law, and giving to the commissioners specific authority to enact regulations relative to the licensing of businesses, trades, and professions in the District of Columbia, and to enact necessary regulations for the conduct of such businesses, trades, professions, and callings.

The department meets with much difficulty in its efforts to regulate public dance halls, the courts having held that dancing academies where instructions in dancing are given are not dance halls in the generally accepted sense of the term and, as a result, persons frequently set themselves up as instructors in dancing and the fee charged is referred to as a fee for instruction rather than as a fee for admission, which is nothing more or less than an evasion of the law.

Conditions have materially changed since the enactment of the general license law, and it is believed that much better results would be obtained in a general way in the licensing and regulating of many of the businesses, trades, and professions if the commissioners were given necessary authority to enact needful regulations therefor.

THE VAGRANCY ACT

It is recommended that the corporation counsel be directed to prepare, and that the commissioners request Congress to enact, an adequate vagrancy law that will stand the test of the courts. The police have met with much difficulty recently in dealing with the question of vagrancy because of the difficulty in securing the evidence held by the courts to be necessary under the present act to establish the offense. It is submitted that a vagrancy act which will stand the test of the courts is undoubtedly one of the most powerful weapons which can be given into the hands of the police in its efforts to deal effectively with crime and disorder.

ADOPTION OF SYSTEM OF MAGISTRATES' COURTS

It is urgently recommended that there be established in the District of Columbia four magistrates' courts, such courts to sit at various police stations at specified hours of the day and night to hear all minor cases of violations of municipal regulations where the penalty to be imposed does not exceed a fine of \$40 in any one case. The establishment of such a system would undoubtedly result in a great saving of time spent by members of the force in police and traffic courts and would also be of great benefit to the citizen in that he would be afforded an immediate trial of his case.

The same system has been established in other cities and has proven very beneficial, and I am convinced that the recent and future growth of the District of Columbia makes such a system very necessary to the prompt and efficient transaction of court business.

REVOLVER PRACTICE

It is a source of regret that the department has been unable to provide practice for members of the force in the use of the revolver, due to lack of proper range and other facilities.

In the past two years approximately 500 men have been appointed to the force and it is, of course, deemed essential that they be given intensive training and practice in the use of the service revolver, and to this end it is recommended that effort be made to provide an up-to-date pistol range.

Reports of subordinate bureaus and officials of the department not included herein, are on file at police headquarters for reference, and appended hereto as a part of this report will be found certain statistics essential to the report.

EDWIN B. HESSE,
Major and Superintendent.

ASSIGNMENT OF OFFICERS, METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT,
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, AS OF JULY 1, 1926

EDWIN B. HESSE
Major and Superintendent

CHARLES A. EVANS
Assistant Superintendent, Supervising Uniformed Force

HENRY G. PRATT
Assistant Superintendent, Commanding Detective Bureau

INSPECTORS

William S. Shelby, personnel officer and aid to superintendent.

Ernest W. Brown, commanding traffic bureau.

William H. Harrison, western inspection district.

Louis J. Stoll, eastern inspection district.

CAPTAINS

Thaddeus R. Bean, first precinct.
Fred M. Cornwell, second precinct.
Ira Sheetz, third precinct.
Albert J. Headley, fourth precinct.
William E. Sanford, fifth precinct.
Martin Reilly, sixth precinct.

Maurice Collins, seventh precinct.
Robert E. Doyle, eighth precinct.
Charles T. Peck, ninth precinct.
Chas. P. M. Lord, tenth precinct.
Guy E. Burlingame, eleventh precinct.
Caney L. Plemons, twelfth precinct.

Walter Emerson, detective bureau.

LIEUTENANTS

James F. Beckett, first precinct.
 James D. McQuade, second precinct.
 Michael L. Raedy, third precinct.
 William E. Holmes, fourth precinct.
 Ogden T. Davis, fifth precinct.
 Gustave Lauten, sixth precinct.
 William P. Hess, seventh precinct.
 Charles H. Bremmerman, eighth precinct.

Sidney J. Marks, ninth precinct.
 John M. Walsh, tenth precinct.
 John E. Bowers, eleventh precinct.
 Joseph W. Pierson, twelfth precinct.
 Jeremiah A. Sullivan, fourteenth precinct.
 McGill Grove, fourteenth precinct.
 Harry R. Lohman, harbor precinct.

Benjamin A. Lamb, traffic bureau.
 Hugh H. Groves, inspection of patrol force.
 William G. Stott, inspection of patrol force.
 Mina C. VanWinkle, director of woman's bureau.
 James E. Wilson, inspection of patrol force.

Police statistics—Summary—Table of cases

FELONIES

Offense	Total	White	Colored	Not prosecuted	Dis- missed	Held	
						1926	1925
Abandoning infant	1	1				1	
Abduction	4	2	2			4	
Adultery	176	80	96	31	11	134	204
Arson	13	6	7	1		12	5
Assault with a dangerous weapon	322	41	281	74	31	217	171
Assault with intent to kill	2	1	1	1		1	19
Attempt to rape	20	5	15	5		15	10
Attempted robbery	23	5	18	2	4	17	6
Bigamy	11	3	8	2		9	9
Carnal knowledge	43	13	30	4	2	37	22
Depredation of fixtures in houses	1	1				1	
Embezzlement	80	54	26	15		65	50
False pretenses	226	152	74	25	3	198	118
Forgery	99	67	32	12	3	84	62
Grand larceny	452	193	259	65	16	371	291
Housebreaking	963	362	601	38	15	910	656
Larceny from District of Columbia government	10	3	7		1	9	5
Larceny from United States Government	13	3	10			13	18
Manslaughter	21	10	11			21	19
Mayhem	4	1	3			4	2
Murder	47	15	32		3	44	39
Pandering	10	6	4	3	2	5	2
Perjury	1	1		1			
Rape	20	5	15	6	2	12	2
Receiving stolen goods	49	22	27	10	2	37	45
Robbery	219	46	173	37	23	159	157
Seduction	8	3	5	3		5	7
Sodomy	9	9				9	
Use or possession of smoke screen (traffic law)	8	3	5		1	7	
Violation of—							
Antinarcotic law	47	17	30		2	45	84
Bad check law	312	251	61	85	6	221	160
National motor vehicle theft act	10	6	4	3		7	15
White slave traffic law	10	9	1	1		9	21
District of Columbia Code of Law—							
Sec. 809. Procuring miscarriage	2		2			2	4
Sec. 815. Criminal libel	4	3	1	1			4
Sec. 819. Blackmail	10	9	1	1	1	8	2
Sec. 826b. Unauthorized use of vehicles (joy riding)	476	213	263	55	31	390	432
Sec. 836a. Possession of property stolen outside of the District of Columbia	4	1	3		1	3	5
Sec. 839. Sale of mortgaged property by mortgagor in possession	1	1				1	
Sec. 851b. Larceny after trust	180	119	70	62	7	120	136
Sec. 860. Impersonating an officer	8	3	5	4	3	1	
Sec. 863. Lottery and policy law	4	4				4	7
Sec. 865. Setting up or keeping a gaming table	5	5		2		3	15
Sec. 876. Prize fighting, etc.	20	20			9	11	

Police statistics—Summary—Table of cases—Continued

FELONIES—Continued

Offense	Total	White	Colored	Not pro- cessed	Dis- missed	Held	
						1926	1925
Violation of—Continued.							
United States Criminal Code—							
Sec. 34. False demand on fraudulent power of attorney.....	1	1				1	
Sec. 35. Making or presenting false claims against the United States.....	1	1				1	
Sec. 37. Conspiracy to commit an offense against the United States.....	20	12	8	5		15	40
Sec. 66. Falsely assuming to be a revenue officer.....	4	2	2	4			
Sec. 192. Breaking into and entering post office.....	2	2				2	
Sec. 215. Using the mails to promote frauds.....	2	2				2	1
Sec. 291. Maltreatment of crew by officers of vessels.....	1	1				1	
Other laws.....							12
Total.....	3,988	1,795	2,193	558	179	3,251	2,857

MISDEMEANORS

Assault.....	2,519	820	1,699	324	220	1,975	1,905
Attempted false pretenses.....	1		1			1	4
Attempted housebreaking.....	50	20	30	2		48	17
Attempted larceny.....	54	21	33	5	4	45	24
Attempted unauthorized use of vehicles.....	7	5	2		3	4	1
Carrying weapons.....	424	76	348	31	29	364	331
Contempt of court.....	267	102	165	6	19	242	175
Cruelty to animals.....	28	8	20	1		27	26
Desecrating United States flag.....	1	1	1				
Desertion.....	25	19	6			25	30
Destroying private property.....	297	100	197	29	18	250	205
Destroying public property.....	22	17	5	2	1	19	4
Disorderly conduct.....	7,698	2,537	5,161	103	224	7,371	5,770
Failing to pay board bill.....	79	51	28	24	3	52	38
Fornication.....	785	193	592	8	20	757	929
Fugitives from—							
Board of Children's Guardians.....	76	19	57			76	60
Industrial schools.....	24	12	12			24	29
Insane asylum.....	61	49	12			61	69
Justice.....	350	235	115		16	334	376
National Training School for Boys.....	26	10	16			26	22
National Training School for Girls.....	39	11	28			39	11
Parents.....	243	175	68			243	195
Held for—							
Investigation.....	5,553	2,164	3,389		5,432	121	125
Mental observation.....	344	200	144	1		343	372
Military authorities.....	8	5	3			8	20
Naval authorities.....	9	9				9	4
United States marshal.....	125	68	57		1	124	129
Incorrigibility.....	64	16	48			64	50
Indecent assault.....	16	11	5	2		14	23
Indecent exposure.....	140	66	74	6	4	130	110
Indigent or dependent children.....	39	5	34			39	32
Keeping—							
Bawdy house.....	5	1	4			5	8
Dangerous dog.....	6	4	2		4	2	9
Disorderly house.....	229	62	167	20	3	206	196
Larceny by a trick.....	2		2	1		1	2
Nonsupport of wives and minor children.....	17	10	7			17	22
Nonsupport of bastard children.....	64	7	57			64	65
Nuisance.....	84	37	47	47	1	36	79
Permitting gambling on premises.....	434	148	286	15	7	412	305
Pettit larceny.....	2,070	586	1,484	105	85	1,880	1,924
Profanity.....	1		1			1	1
Selling tobacco to minors.....	1	1					
Soliciting prostitution.....	265	13	252	5	22	238	96
Taking property without right.....	122	72	50	39	9	74	54
Threats of personal violence.....	414	152	262	126	67	221	230
Throwing missiles.....	16	6	10	1	1	14	16
Trespass.....	38	24	14			38	37
Turning in false alarm of fire.....	10	6	4		1	9	2
Unlicensed dentists.....	4	1	3			4	
Vagrancy.....	574	265	309	23	50	501	254

Police statistics—Summary—Table of cases—Continued
MISDEMEANORS—Continued

Offense	Total	White	Colored	Not pro- cessed	Dis- missed	Held	
						1926	1925
Violation of—							
An act of Congress approved Feb. 26, 1925, for the prevention of venereal diseases	7	7				7	
An act of Congress approved June 23, 1874, imposing penalty for fraudulently obtaining gas	1		1			1	
Building regulations	20	16	4	4		16	4
Child labor law	3	1	2		2	1	5
Conditions of probation	22	8	14			22	28
Dog law	155	61	94	3	4	148	62
Dog muzzling regulations	74	37	37	3	3	68	60
Female employment law	34	32	2		2	32	15
Food law	1	1				1	
Hacking law	87	68	19	1	8	78	141
Hacking regulations	75	56	19	1	2	72	169
Health regulations	597	502	95	31	22	544	339
Immigration law	7	7				7	9
License law	181	53	128	9	1	171	209
Military uniform protection law	1	1				1	
Money loaning law	1	1				1	
National prohibition law—							
Sec. 3, title 2. Illegal possession	2,970	1,092	1,878	116	74	2,780	2,861
Sec. 3, title 2. Manufacturing	112	74	38	2	1	109	50
Sec. 3, title 2. Selling	1,071	369	702	73	17	981	1,321
Sec. 3, title 2. Transporting	1,166	494	672	80	44	1,042	1,120
Sec. 21, title 2. Maintaining a common nuisance	12	8	4			12	31
Sec. 25, title 2. Possession of property designed for manufacture of liquor	6	4	2			6	2
United States Criminal Code (sections governing the manufacture and sale of distilled spirits)							
Sec. 65. Resisting revenue officers, rescuing or destroying seized property							
Sec. 140. Obstructing process or assaulting an officer	4	3	1			4	12
Sec. 151. Passing, selling, or concealing forged obligations of the United States (forged revenue stamps)	2		2			2	4
Revised Statutes, sec. 3258. Setting up a still and failing to register same with collector of district	2	2				2	
Sheppard law—							
Sec. 11. Drinking in public places	161	116	45		10	151	194
Sec. 11. Drunk in public places	12,907	7,197	5,710	42	126	12,739	10,426
Sec. 20. Operating vehicle (other than motor vehicle) while drunk	33	11	22		2	31	1,629
Park regulations	58	43	15	1		57	36
Pharmacy law	33	27	6			33	16
Plumbing regulations	10	7	3		1	9	23
Police regulations	1,481	930	551	56	49	1,376	1,324
Smoke law	46	46				46	92
Traffic laws						(?)	
Driving while under the influence of liquor or drugs	716	473	243	103	58	555	
Fleeing from scene of accident	307	158	149	53	39	215	
Operating vehicle without permit	1,209	553	656	48	35	1,126	
Reckless driving	1,751	936	815	121	188	1,442	
Speeding	6,757	5,169	1,588	24	68	6,665	9,804
Miscellaneous traffic regulations	33,133	25,833	7,300	199	492	32,442	21,382
Weights and measures laws	78	55	23			78	71
District of Columbia code of laws—							
Sec. 818. False charges of unchastity	4	4		1		3	3
Sec. 833a. Disposing of personal property acquired on instalment plan before same has been paid for	21	13	8	9		12	10
Sec. 851. Forcible entry and detainer	1		1			1	1
Sec. 869. Pool selling, bookmaking, etc.	35	26	9	3	5	27	44
Sec. 872. Indecent publications	2		2	2			5
Revenue act of 1917, sec. 500a. Defrauding the United States of tax on public utilities	4	4			1	3	
Other laws and regulations	105	60	45		63	42	65
Witnesses held							19
Total	89,220	52,988	36,232	1,919	7,563	79,738	64,975

¹ The figures under the heading Sec. 20, Sheppard law, for 1925, includes motor as well as other vehicles

² The traffic laws have been in force since May 3, 1925, and therefore there are no figures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1925.

Cases of all kinds

Precinct	White	Colored	Total	
			1926	1925
First.....	14,747	1,796	16,543	8,717
Second.....	3,324	7,205	10,529	9,597
Third.....	4,126	3,856	7,982	6,649
Fourth.....	2,893	5,447	8,340	6,798
Fifth.....	2,312	2,203	4,515	3,796
Sixth.....	5,210	2,519	7,729	5,212
Seventh.....	2,188	2,147	4,335	5,417
Eighth.....	2,011	3,207	5,218	4,427
Ninth.....	3,253	2,715	5,968	4,822
Tenth.....	3,827	1,685	5,512	6,080
Eleventh.....	1,325	1,443	2,768	2,225
Twelfth.....	1,150	438	1,588	1,768
Fourteenth.....	1,102	401	1,503	(1)
Harbor.....	105	79	184	173
Detective bureau.....	1,086	1,148	2,834	2,407
Traffic bureau.....	5,085	1,823	6,908	8,252
Woman's bureau.....	439	313	752	682
Total.....	54,783	38,425	93,208	76,021

¹ The fourteenth precinct was included in the seventh until Nov. 30, 1925, and has been functioning as a separate unit since Dec. 1, 1925. Figures for the fiscal year 1925 are not obtainable.

Disposition of cases

	1926	1925		1926	1925
Fined and paid.....	50,216	43,561	Delivered to—		
Fined and committed in default of payment.....	8,831	8,089	Parents or guardians.....	366	311
Committed without option of fine.....	2,133	1,293	United States marshal.....	343	318
Held for action of grand jury.....	1,938	1,640	Connecticut authorities.....	1	1
Sent to—			Delaware authorities.....	1	1
Gallinger Municipal Hospital.....	358	391	Florida authorities.....	4	2
Industrial schools.....	54	67	Georgia authorities.....	2	4
Insane asylum.....	73	73	Illinois authorities.....	1	1
National Training School for Boys.....	371	256	Indiana authorities.....	1	1
National Training School for Girls.....	53	30	Maine authorities.....	2	1
Sent out of the city.....	13	18	Maryland authorities.....	110	146
Dismissed (investigation, etc.).....	7,742	6,313	Massachusetts authorities.....	3	1
Nol-prossed.....	2,477	1,870	Michigan authorities.....	1	1
Not disposed of.....	6,467	6,220	New Jersey authorities.....	5	7
Personal bonds taken.....	9,637	3,321	New York authorities.....	8	17
Placed under bonds.....	21	5	North Carolina authorities.....	15	6
Placed on probation.....	1,310	1,496	Ohio authorities.....	7	9
Sentence suspended.....	152	117	Pennsylvania authorities.....	21	19
Delivered to—			Rhode Island authorities.....	1	1
Board of Children's Guardians.....	216	181	South Carolina authorities.....	2	1
Immigration authorities.....	6	4	Virginia authorities.....	86	99
Military authorities.....	131	106	West Virginia authorities.....	4	1
Naval authorities.....	25	12	Other institutions and jurisdictions.....		11
			Total.....	93,208	76,021

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Classification of those charged with cases

	1926	1925
White.....	54,783	43,161
Colored.....	38,425	32,860
Total.....	93,208	76,021
Males.....	83,889	68,583
Females.....	9,319	7,438
Total.....	93,208	76,021
Able to read and write.....	91,584	74,538
Unable to read and write.....	1,624	1,483
Total.....	93,208	76,021
Males:		
Married.....	45,614	35,158
Single.....	38,275	33,425
Females:		
Married.....	5,161	3,947
Single.....	4,158	3,491
Total.....	93,208	76,021

Cases of all kinds, by precincts, with age limit and color

Precinct	Under 17 years of age		Over 17 and under 21 years of age		Over 21 years of age		Total	
	White	Colored	White	Colored	White	Colored	1926	1925
First.....	128	72	1,036	191	13,583	1,533	16,543	8,717
Second.....	23	140	216	677	3,085	6,388	10,529	9,590
Third.....	22	193	239	343	3,865	3,320	7,982	6,649
Fourth.....	54	190	271	548	2,568	4,709	8,340	6,798
Fifth.....	67	98	222	267	2,023	1,838	4,515	3,799
Sixth.....	88	108	275	202	4,847	2,209	7,729	5,212
Seventh.....	98	82	319	272	1,771	1,793	4,335	5,417
Eighth.....	15	184	153	316	1,843	2,707	5,218	4,427
Ninth.....	85	101	377	268	2,791	2,346	5,968	4,822
Tenth.....	101	45	448	241	3,278	1,399	5,512	5,080
Eleventh.....	37	106	200	205	1,088	1,132	2,768	2,228
Twelfth.....	40	36	133	51	977	351	1,588	1,766
Fourteenth.....	41	29	133	47	928	325	1,503	(1)
Harbor.....	4	5	10	10	91	64	184	175
Detective bureau.....	101	93	156	202	1,429	853	2,834	2,407
Traffic bureau.....	35	34	628	164	4,422	1,625	6,908	8,252
Woman's bureau.....	137	159	58	62	244	92	752	682
Total.....	1,076	1,675	4,874	4,066	48,833	32,684	93,208	76,021

The fourteenth precinct was included in the seventh during the fiscal year 1925, and began to function as a separate unit on Dec. 1, 1925. The figures for the fourteenth precinct are for 7 months, Dec. 1, 1925, to June 30, 1926, inclusive.

Percentage of cases

	1926	1925
White.....	58.77	56.77
Colored.....	41.23	43.23
Convictions (exclusive of those held for investigation and as witnesses).....	94.79	94.92
Acquittals.....	2.38	2.45
Cases not prosed.....	2.83	2.63

Estimated value of losses and recoveries

	1926	1925
Property stolen.....	\$1,216,052.32	\$1,226,670.96
Property lost or mislaid.....	74,883.95	64,125.58
Total.....	1,290,936.27	1,290,796.54
Property recovered:		
Reported stolen.....	1,013,981.23	966,061.64
Reported lost or mislaid.....	10,478.67	13,137.31
Not reported stolen, lost, or mislaid.....	111,370.84	81,888.96
Used as evidence.....	11,308.58	13,739.64
Belonging to persons alleged to be of unsound mind.....	8,893.03	10,105.17
Effects of deceased persons.....	23,572.55	18,765.18
Stolen in other jurisdictions.....	4,906.24	
Total delivered to property clerk for disposition according to law.....	1,184,511.14	1,103,697.90
Returned to owners:		
Automobiles.....	235,970.00	188,371.00
Horses and wagons, boats, etc.....	5,113.00	5,875.00
Miscellaneous articles.....	55,492.36	9,705.18
Total returned to claimants.....	296,575.36	203,951.18
Total value of property recovered by the department.....	1,481,086.50	1,307,649.06
Value of property recovered by owners.....	103,987.00	166,394.00
Grand total recovered.....	1,585,073.50	1,474,043.08

Estimated value of money and valuables recovered

	1926	1925
Amount recovered.....	\$3,022,550.94	\$3,001,733.13
Returned to owners.....	296,575.36	203,951.18
Delivered to property clerk.....	1,184,511.14	1,103,697.90
Delivered to poundmaster.....	230.00	1,200.00
Delivered to agents of Internal Revenue Bureau (prohibition enforcement unit).....	171,242.80	163,461.00
Taken from prisoners and returned, orders of officers in charge.....	959,564.50	1,017,328.55
Collateral delivered to collector at police court.....	399,813.50	500,814.00
Collateral delivered to clerk at juvenile court.....	1,582.00	1,776.00
Collected in "nonsupport" cases and delivered to clerk at juvenile court.....	9,031.64	9,504.50
Total.....	3,022,550.94	3,001,733.13

Arrests by officers mounted on bicycles and motor cycles

	Arrests	Fines imposed
1922.....	20,068	\$143,444
1923.....	20,519	175,723
1924.....	21,580	168,959
1925.....	19,671	172,861
1926.....	19,914	154,686

Miscellaneous reports

	1926	1925		1926	1925
Abandoned infants found-----	4	8	Fountains damaged-----	1	3
Accidents reported-----	12,331	13,354	Homicides-----	45	32
Animals found astray-----	62	42	Hydrants damaged-----	24	24
Animals delivered to pound- master-----	56	106	Inquests attended-----	172	155
Animals delivered to property clerk-----	1	4	Lamps damaged-----	1,577	1,028
Attempted suicides-----	166	141	Lamps not lighted: Electric-----	9,025	7,822
Back gates found open-----	244	317	Gas-----	3,423	1,668
Damaged trees and boxes-----	627	800	Lost children found-----	95	116
Dangerous bridges-----	1	21	Permits examined: Building-----	3,535	3,584
Dangerous buildings-----	61	61	Miscellaneous-----	6,255	6,712
Dangerous holes in roadway-----	9,511	5,480	Rescued from drowning-----	4	2
Dangerous or broken pavements-----	3,754	2,654	Sewers: Damaged-----	128	135
Dead animals reported-----	5,547	5,552	Filthy-----	147	137
Dead bodies found-----	51	47	Suicides-----	56	68
Dead infants found-----	34	47	Telephone messages-----	344,307	312,437
Deaths (coroner notified, no in- quest)-----	420	320	Trips made by: Bateau-----	8	1
Doors and windows found open-----	801	559	Launch-----	567	543
Drowned bodies recovered-----	21	27	Steamer (harbor tug No. 77)-----	19	12
False alarms of fire-----	179	157	Vessels: Assisted-----	16	19
Fast riding motor cycles-----	148	235	Ordered moved to lawful anchorage-----	4	2
Fast running automobiles-----	6,600	9,627	Water mains damaged-----	562	402
Fast running street cars-----	9	6	Water pipes damaged-----	498	352
Flithy alleys and gutters-----	95	115			
Fire plugs damaged-----	112	13			
Fires attended-----	2,621	2,082			
Found sick on street-----	952	840			

Report of the chief (also property) clerk

Balance on hand June 30, 1925-----	\$51,720.77
Delivered to owners by order of court or upon proof of ownership-----	9,214.42
Delivered to owners on bond-----	1,665.00
Delivered to administrators-----	1,473.18
Disposed of in accordance with law and the orders of the Commissi- sioners of the District of Columbia: Sold at auction-----	8,942.29
Destroyed-----	1,984.56
Balance on hand July 1, 1926-----	28,441.32

Total accounted for----- 51,720.77

The following is a monthly statement of the property received and disposed of during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926:

Month	Delivered to owners by order of court or upon proof of ownership	Delivered to owners on bond	Delivered to administrators	Disposed of in ac- cordance with law and the orders of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia		On hand	Total
				Auction	De- stroyed		
1925							
July-----	\$86,874.43	\$7,870.00	\$639.00	\$462.43	\$19.35	\$1,416.40	\$97,281.61
August-----	63,209.51	11,096.00		804.00	19.00	1,727.30	76,855.81
September-----	47,814.10	7,930.00	1,098.50	473.17	1.00	1,406.44	58,723.21
October-----	113,249.74	2,819.00		269.30	45.00	1,336.36	117,749.40
November-----	79,286.20	6,045.00		264.00	10.25	1,570.05	93,775.50
December-----	97,537.45	6,389.00	48.25			2,865.31	106,840.01
1926							
January-----	78,263.18	6,890.00	591.81			1,231.35	86,976.34
February-----	83,395.69	5,505.00	3,224.44			3,491.27	95,616.40
March-----	93,374.61	2,915.00	200.00			3,724.56	100,214.17
April-----	101,915.37	11,425.00				10,228.66	123,569.03
May-----	101,845.02	16,725.00				3,704.09	122,274.11
June-----	80,175.02	18,460.00	175.00			5,825.53	104,635.55
Total-----	1,026,940.32	104,099.00	12,477.00	2,372.90	94.60	38,527.32	1,184,511.14

Estimated value of property on hand July 1, 1925-----	\$51,720.77
Received during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1926-----	1,184,511.14

Total to be accounted for-----	1,236,231.91
Delivered to owners by order of court or upon proof of ownership-----	1,036,154.74
Delivered to owners on bond-----	105,764.00
Delivered to administrators-----	13,950.18
Disposed of in accordance with law and the orders of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia:	
Sold at auction-----	11,315.19
Destroyed-----	2,079.16
Balance on hand July 1, 1926-----	66,968.64
Total accounted for-----	1,236,231.91

Estimated value of property delivered to the property clerk, Metropolitan police, District of Columbia, by the different precincts, detective bureau, woman's bureau, traffic bureau, and the coroner's office during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1926

	June 30, 1926	June 30, 1925		June 30, 1926	June 30, 1925
First precinct-----	\$65,156.63	\$91,911.68	Eleventh precinct-----	\$35,314.84	\$23,900.39
Second precinct-----	108,599.90	78,767.62	Twelfth precinct-----	32,631.54	9,844.09
Third precinct-----	71,961.50	35,792.89	Fourteenth precinct-----	18,595.37	
Fourth precinct-----	63,415.26	52,079.70	Harbor precinct-----	9,571.40	4,835.82
Fifth precinct-----	50,086.25	39,783.36	Woman's bureau-----	6,169.66	4,382.30
Sixth precinct-----	69,677.92	54,593.98	Traffic bureau-----	18,647.58	25,290.52
Seventh precinct-----	42,438.82	39,510.56	Detective bureau-----	347,695.53	391,482.15
Eighth precinct-----	100,824.28	67,355.72	Coroner's office-----	918.20	503.29
Ninth precinct-----	63,042.51	93,873.31	Total-----	1,184,511.14	1,103,097.90
Tenth precinct-----	79,763.95	89,202.52			

Report of sale held February 5, 1926

Proceeds of sale of automobiles-----	\$294.50
Expenses of sale:	
Advertising-----	\$8.10
Commission-----	13.25
Deposited with the collector of taxes, District of Columbia-----	21.35
Total accounted for-----	294.50

Report of sale held May 15, 1926

Proceeds of sale of merchandise-----	\$1,479.90
Cash-----	562.43
Total-----	2,042.33
Expenses of sale:	
Commission-----	\$66.60
Hauling-----	102.00
Labor-----	70.00
Advertising-----	20.54
Total-----	259.14
Cash withdrawn-----	20.71
Total-----	279.85
Deposited with the collector of taxes, District of Columbia:	
To the credit of police and firemen's relief fund-----	1,517.41
To credit of escheated estates relief fund-----	245.07
Total accounted for-----	2,042.33

Abstract of expenditures of the Metropolitan police department during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1926

CONTINGENT EXPENSES

Appropriation-----	\$60,000.00
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Expended as follows:

Composing machine (linotype) repairs and spare parts-----	\$256. 34
Furniture, blankets, linens, etc-----	5, 747. 11
Gas and electricity-----	8, 192. 21
Laundry-----	746. 85
Meals for prisoners-----	9, 470. 05
Miscellaneous (awnings, badges, brooms, buckets, batons, brushes, directories, hand grenades, hose, ice, kerosene, lamps, lanterns, linoleum, newspapers, photo supplies, rewards, rent of telephones, removal of ashes, screens, soaps, storage, typewriters, telegrams, telephones, window shades, etc)-----	14, 742. 64
Prevention and detection of crime-----	4, 318. 91
Printers' supplies-----	129. 35
Printing, blank forms, etc-----	3, 035. 73
Repairs to stations (miscellaneous)-----	3, 035. 38
Revolvers, cartridges, holsters, machine gun equipment-----	2, 762. 13
Stationery-----	4, 485. 14
Traffic equipment (drinking fountain, window shades, furniture, etc.)-----	953. 76
Unexpended balance-----	2, 124. 40

Total-----	60,000.00
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FLAGS AND HALYARDS

Appropriation-----	200.00
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Expended-----	\$188. 50
General reserve-----	10. 00
Unexpended balance-----	1. 50

Total-----	200.00
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FUEL

Appropriation-----	8,000.00
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Expended:

164 tons white ash stove coal-----	\$2, 812. 60
5 tons white ash furnace coal-----	69. 15
47 tons white ash egg coal-----	648. 60
425½ tons Bituminous run of mine coal-----	3, 588. 76
16½ cords wood, pine-----	305. 67
General reserve-----	400. 00
Unexpended balance-----	175. 22

Total-----	8,000.00
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HARBOR PATROL

Appropriation	\$11, 780. 00
Expended:	
Salaries	\$8, 280. 00
Fuel	433. 75
Gasoline, oils, lubricants	340. 17
Machinery, furniture, repairs	2, 145. 66
Miscellaneous (awnings, brooms, buckets, laundry, polish, soaps, tools, etc.)	261. 76
General reserve	175. 00
Unexpended balance	143. 66
Total	11, 780. 00

HARBOR PATROL—PURCHASE GASOLINE ENGINE

Appropriation	\$1, 050. 00
Expended	\$1, 040. 25
Unexpended balance	9. 75

Total 1, 050. 00

HOUSE OF DETENTION

Appropriation	31, 200. 00
Expended:	
Salaries	\$14, 400. 00
Automobiles, repairs of and maintenance	953. 60
Food and groceries	5, 270. 51
Fuel	2, 410. 20
Furniture, furnishings, linen	650. 42
Gas and electricity	1, 188. 78
Miscellaneous (awnings, blinds, brooms, brushes, clothing, dry goods, ice, rent, removal of refuse, soaps, telephones, tools, etc.)	1, 708. 42
Repairs to buildings, grounds, fixtures installed, etc	3, 358. 22
General reserve	840. 00
Unexpended balance	419. 85
Total	31, 200. 00

MAINTENANCE OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Appropriation	50, 000. 00
Expended:	
Automobile replacements	\$6, 873. 00
Casings and tubes	7, 109. 45
Gasoline, oils, lubricants	13, 779. 17
Miscellaneous (bulbs, chains, jacks, paints, polish, soaps, sponges, tools, waste, etc.)	930. 02
Motor-cycle replacements	13, 380. 00
Motor cycle, repairs to and spare parts	3, 495. 76
Repairs and spare parts, automobiles	4, 047. 75
Unexpended balance	384. 85
Total	50, 000. 00

Motor patrol service

MILEAGE

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Quarter	Precincts												Head-quarters	Motor cycles	Total	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14			
First.....	8,008	2,450	1,398	5,948	2,371	2,088	22,919	777	2,614	26,516	25,789	19,117	27,136	113,754	260,915	
Second.....	6,209	2,390	2,363	4,284	2,312	2,274	1,574	248	3,388	22,162	28,947	9,840	20,422	15,528	108,019	229,970
Third.....	4,743	2,343	2,618	4,586	1,652	2,222	1,478	295	2,413	20,514	26,339	15,440	19,327	16,047	96,644	216,061
Fourth.....	8,608	2,183	4,068	5,341	2,224	2,167	1,694	1,806	2,733	23,310	27,684	15,009	21,292	24,323	126,119	268,563
Total.....	27,568	9,396	10,447	20,159	8,559	8,751	27,665	3,128	11,158	92,502	108,759	59,406	61,041	58,034	444,536	975,509

RUNS MADE

First.....	2,024	1,454	734	1,516	901	962	2,285	218	776	5,127	5,138	3,325	4,135	-----	28,596
Second.....	2,125	1,411	738	1,498	853	965	2,085	136	881	5,408	6,844	2,479	5,135	2,163	30,844
Third.....	2,022	1,380	875	1,337	934	1,020	447	549	984	5,088	5,055	4,935	3,323	37,855	80,1983
Fourth.....	2,807	1,306	846	1,592	883	971	517	677	860	5,167	5,060	4,544	5,530	3,383	34,146
Total.....	8,978	5,554	3,183	5,943	3,571	3,918	3,457	1,580	3,481	25,628	22,130	15,403	15,600	13,004	131,440

Cost of maintenance of motor vehicles (automobiles)

Average cost per mile

Average cost per run

Average length of each run (miles) -

Mileage -

Cost of maintenance of motor vehicles (motor cycles)

Average cost per mile

Mileage,

\$26,191.12
\$0,04932
80,1983
\$0,0247
\$30,973
\$23,424.03
\$0,05269
444,536

Report of accidents and casualties for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1926

	Deaths		Serious casualties		Minor casualties		Total injured		Property loss only		No injury or damage, 1925	Total casualties	
	1925	1926	1925	1926	1925	1926	1925	1926	1925	1926		1925	1926
Assaults:													
Bitten.....					3	12	3	12				3	12
Firearms.....		14	12		91	107	105	119				105	119
Indecent.....					17	19	17	19				17	19
Knife, razor, etc.....		11	20		460	479	471	499				471	499
Missiles.....		3	6		188	178	191	184				191	184
Other weapons.....					9	164	269	164	278			164	278
Miscellaneous.....		2	5		292	273	294	278				294	278
Total injured.....									1,245	1,389			
Total casualties.....					30	52	1,215	1,337				1,245	1,389
Deaths:													
Homicides.....		32	45						32	45		32	45
Found dead, sudden deaths from natural causes.....		200	241						200	241		200	241
Suicides.....		68	56						68	56		68	56
Without medical attention.....		90	130						90	130		90	130
Total.....		390	472						390	472		390	472
Persons conveyed to hospitals, homes, or otherwise assisted:													
Alcoholism.....		10	3		1	297	258	307	262			307	262
Fits.....					141	145	141	145				141	145
Heat.....		1	1		45	12	46	13				46	13
Other illness.....					526	444	526	444				526	444
Total.....		11	4		1,009	859	1,020	864				1,020	864
Abandoned infants:												8	4
Attempt suicide.....												141	166
Criminal operation.....		1							1			1	
Inquests held.....												155	172
Total.....		1							1			305	342
Accidents:													
Baseball.....					6	1	6	1				6	1
Bitten by dogs.....					1	441	539	441	540			441	540
Burned.....		15	8	6	8	92	98	113	114			113	114
Coasting.....							12		12				12
Drowned.....		22	18				22	18				22	18
Explosion.....		1			3	10	3	11				3	11
Electric shock.....		1	5		1	2	2	1				2	7
Elevators.....		3	8	1	1	8	11	12	20			12	20
Firearms.....		2	2	2	3	27	31	32				31	32
Football.....		1			2	2	3	2				3	2
Gas.....		11	30	6	4	47	51	64	85			64	85
Hydroplane.....					1		1					1	
Poison.....		3	4		2	35	51	38	57			38	57
Miscellaneous.....		15	26	2	10	257	308	274	344			274	344
Total injured.....									1,010	1,243			
Total casualties.....		73	102	17	29	920	1,112					1,010	1,243
Accidents, falls:													
Down stairways.....		3	1	4	3	49	43	56	47			56	47
Buildings, ladders, and scaffolds.....		7	5	5	2	61	41	73	48			73	48
Windows.....		5	4		2	19	9	24	15			24	15
Into river, canal, etc., and rescued.....					5	3	5	3				5	3
In street.....					136	124	136	124				136	124
Miscellaneous.....		3	1	2	15	72	16	77				16	77
Total injured.....									310	314			
Total casualties.....		15	13	10	9	285	292					310	314
Accidents, bicycles:													
Collision with—													
Bicycles.....					2	3	2	3				2	3
Cars.....					1	1	1	1				2	1
Motor vehicles.....					15	25	15	25				20	30
Other vehicles.....						2	2	5	5			2	5
Fall from.....					18	5	18	5				18	5
Struck by.....		2			26	27	28	27				28	27
Miscellaneous.....					1		1					1	
Total injured.....									67	61			
Total casualties.....		2				65	61			6	5	73	66

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Report of accidents and casualties for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1926—Contd.

	Deaths		Serious casual- ties		Minor casual- ties		Total injured		Property loss only		No in- jury or dam- age, 1925	Total casualties		
	1925	1926	1925	1926	1925	1926	1925	1926	1925	1926	1925	1926		
Accidents, motor vehicles:														
Collision with—														
Bicycles.....	3	1	2	2	150	125	155	128	62	69	217	197		
Cars.....	1	3	—	4	59	86	60	93	405	238	1	466	331	
Motor vehicles.....	9	7	8	22	730	745	747	774	809	3,761	4	5,560	4,535	
Other vehicles.....	3	—	—	1	33	20	36	21	102	72	1	139	93	
Fall from.....	1	1	2	—	46	30	49	31	—	—	—	49	31	
Struck by.....	46	58	23	—	84,1,509	1,502	1,578	1,644	—	—	9	1,587	1,644	
Miscellaneous.....	10	2	7	12	163	138	180	152	443	458	—	623	610	
Total injured.....									2,805	2,843				
Total casualties.....	73	72	42	125	2,690	2,646	—	—	5,821	4,598	15	8,041	7,441	
Accidents, street cars:														
Collision with—														
Bicycles.....					3	4	3	4	—	1	3	5		
Cars.....					6	5	6	5	8	—	14	5		
Motor vehicles.....	2	—	1	—	63	75	63	78	319	279	1	383	357	
Other vehicles.....					7	9	7	9	9	5	—	16	14	
Fall from.....			2	1	32	9	34	10	—	—	—	34	10	
Struck by.....	9	11	3	6	65	69	77	86	—	—	77	86		
Miscellaneous.....					3	—	3	—	3	2	—	6	2	
Total injured.....									193	192				
Total casualties.....	9	13	5	8	179	171	—	—	339	287	1	533	479	
Accidents, steam railways:														
Collisions.....	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	
Fall from.....					1	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	
Struck by.....					2	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	
Miscellaneous.....					1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total injured.....									4	2	—	—		
Total casualties.....	1	—	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	
Accidents, horse-drawn vehicles:														
Collision with—														
Bicycles.....					2	—	2	—	1	—	—	3	—	
Cars.....					3	—	3	—	2	1	—	5	1	
Motor vehicles.....					3	7	3	7	52	30	—	55	37	
Other vehicles.....					2	—	2	—	1	—	—	3	—	
Fall from.....					21	4	21	4	—	—	—	21	4	
Struck by.....	1	—	1	—	4	7	5	8	—	—	—	5	8	
Runaway.....					10	—	10	—	—	2	—	10	2	
Miscellaneous.....			1	—	5	3	5	4	20	5	—	25	9	
Total injured.....									51	23	—	—		
Total casualties.....	1	1	—	1	50	21	—	—	76	38	—	127	61	
Summary:														
Assaults.....					30	52	1,215	1,337	1,245	1,389	—	1,245	1,389	
Deaths, homicides, suicides, sudden deaths.....					390	472	—	—	390	472	—	390	472	
Alcoholism, fits, heat, and other illness.....					11	4	11,009	859	1,020	864	—	1,020	864	
Miscellaneous.....					89	115	27	38,1,205	1,404	1,321	1,557	—	1,321	1,557
Total.....					490	591	57	91,3,429	3,600	3,976	4,282	—	3,976	4,282
Traffic casualties:														
Bicycles.....					2	—	65	61	67	61	6	5	73	
Motor vehicles.....					73	72	42	125	2,690	2,646	2,805	5,821	4,598	
Steam railway.....					1	—	—	3	2	4	2	—	4	
Street railway.....					9	13	5	8	179	171	193	339	287	
Other vehicles.....					1	1	—	1	50	21	51	23	38	
Total.....					86	86	47	134	2,987	2,901	3,120	3,121	6,242	
Grand total of injured and casualties.....					576	677	104	225	6,416	6,501	7,096	7,403	6,242	
											16	9,378	8,049	
											16	13,354	12,331	



